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William Manger Jr. Is Named SBA's Region II Administrator

WASHINGTON –SBA Administrator Hector V. Barreto today announced the appointment of William Manger Jr. as the new regional administrator for Region II of the U.S. Small Business Administration.

In this position, Manger will oversee SBA's financial assistance, business development and counseling programs throughout New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

"Bill Manger is an excellent addition to our team," said SBA Administrator Hector V. Barreto. "He understands the role that small businesses play in our economy and has a breadth and depth of experience that will make him an outstanding leader and an effective advocate for small businesses.

Manger worked for a small business in retail sales before his stint at the mortgage-backed securities sales desk at Citicorp Securities. After receiving his Masters of Business Administration, he worked at a boutique investment bank that specialized in helping small, publicly traded companies secure additional capital for growth.

Manger's public service began in 1997 when he was elected to a seat on the village board in Southampton. In 2000, Manger worked on Congressman Rick Lazio's 2000 U.S. Senate campaign and then served President Bush as part of the Bush-Cheney 2000 Presidential Transition Team. Manger was then appointed to the Maritime Administration at the U.S. Department of Transportation, where he worked on policy, legislation and the budget. He left his position as senior policy adviser at the Transportation Department to return home to run for a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Manger also serves on the board of the Riot Relief Fund, which benefits the families of New York City police officers killed in the line of duty. After September 11, 2001, the organization expanded their efforts to distribute money to families of the New York City firemen killed in the terrorist attacks.

Manger graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in political science from Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. He went on to receive a Masters of Business Administration from Columbia University in New York City. Manger now lives in Southampton, New York.